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REMARKS

Claims 10, 12, 15, 29-30, and 32-33 have been amended. Claims 10 and 12 now recite "A computer implemented process", claims 15 and 33 now recite "A computer implemented method", and claims 29-30 and 32 now recite "a computer implemented system." These amended claims satisfy U.S.C. § 101 requirements and place the claims in better form for consideration on appeal.

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CONCLUSION :

On the basis of the above remarks, reconsideration and allowance of the claims is believed to be warranted and such action is respectfully requested. If the Examiner has any questions or comments, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at the number listed below.

Applicants do not believe that a fee is due with this response. If this is incorrect, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee that is due to Bingham McCutchen Deposit Account No. 50-2518, billing reference number 7011532001.

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